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Ms. Jennifer Wigal, Deputy Administrator Water Quality Division Oregon Department of Environmental Quality 700 NE Multnomah Street Suite 600 Portland, Oregon 97232

Re: EPA's Proposed Additions to Oregon's 2012 Section 303(d) List

Dear Ms. Wigal:

Thank you for your October 10, 2018, letter regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed additions to Oregon's 2012 Section 303(d) list. The EPA has been working to finalize the list, and we are in the last stages of completing that process. The EPA will continue to provide updates to ODEQ on the status of the process, so that ODEQ can prepare to begin work on the crosswalk to the revised assessment units which will be used in the next listing cycle.

The EPA appreciates ODEQ's continued efforts to improve the assessment program, as well as all the groundwork which has been completed in preparation for the next Integrated Report. The EPA looks forward to the kickoff of the next listing cycle.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Jill Fullagar, our Impaired Waters Coordinator at (206) 553-2582.

Sincerely,

Daniel D. Opalski

Director

cc: Ms. Becky Anthony (via email)